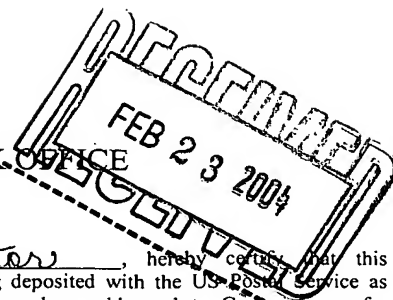


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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the Office action, mailed October 15, 2003, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and reconsideration and withdrawal of the pending rejections in view of the following amendments and remarks. This Amendment is accompanied by a Request for a one month extension of time, and is therefore, timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 17 of this paper.